

I find it alarming that the FCC is considering restricting trade by banning XM radio from broadcasting local traffic and weather information. XM is a service which is paid for by its subscribers, and one which is blessedly free of commercial messages. I see no reason why the government should let itself be pressured by large broadcasting networks in this fashion. It is a blatant attempt for the camel to "get its nose under the tent". Obviously, the next step will be to try to put XM and its similar systems out of business altogether. I would hope that for once someone will listen to the consumer and let him be free to choose how he wants to get his information.